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The Signal Service Report.

The Chief Signal Officer of the Army has recently submitted a very gratifying exhibit of the labors of his bureau during the past year. Thirteen new stations have been added, so that at the present time there are seventy-eight points of observation in the United States, eleven in Canada, and three in the West Indies, the latter being located at Havana, Kingston, and Santiago de Cuba. Three other stations, on the islands of Porto Rico, Guadalupe and Barbados, will also shortly be equipped.

Some very excellent arrangements have been completed for securing to farmers and others, in communities not reached by telegraph, information as regards probable weather earlier than would be afforded were the reports delayed by publication in newspapers. The plan adopted has been to divide the territory of the United States into districts, each district having a distributing point, at or near the center, from which two printed copies of the synopses and probabilities are forwarded by mail to all post offices within the districts, or which can be reached by rail, steamer, or mail coach by 4 P. M. of the same day. The bulletins are then conspicuously posted in the receiving offices, and 8,982 printed copies of the weather report are thus daily distributed to 4,491 post offices; and the plan thus far has worked admirably.

There are nineteen special river stations from which reports of the depth of water in the principal rivers of the United States are daily made by telegraph, at particular seasons during which danger from freshets may be anticipated. Twenty of the regular stations also furnish river reports, which are of great value as giving constant and accurate knowledge of the condition of channels, and thus adding to the safety and convenience of our river commerce.

For the purpose of studying the phenomena of the upper portions of the atmosphere, stations have been established on Mount Washington, N. H., on Mount Mitchell, N. C., and quite recently a third one on the summit of Pike's Peak, at an elevation of 14,216 feet above sea level.

One of the most valuable additions to the system, which has been made during the past year, is the establishment of a chain of life-saving stations along the Atlantic coast. Signals visible for some distance at sea, serving to warn vessels of probable bad weather, are to be displayed from points twenty-five miles apart from Sandy Hook, to Cape May, and it is intended to continue the construction of suitable telegraphic communication along the dangerous coast of Virginia and North Carolina. Without doubt, these points of observation will be of great benefit. They will serve as meteorological stations from which information of the condition of the weather at the sea level can be transmitted; as sites for lighthouses and life boat deposits; as vantage points in time of war, to give warning of the approach of an enemy's fleet; as a means of communication with vessels cruising along the coast; and as positions of display of cautionary signals, as already noted.

With reference to international exchanges of meteorological information, General Meyer refers to the proceedings of the recent Weather Congress at Vienna. The proposition was adopted, by a unanimous vote of that body, that at least one uniform observation of such character as to be suitable for the preparation of synoptic charts should be taken, and recorded daily and simultaneously at as many stations as practicable throughout the world. It is also stated that arrangements have already been made with Prussia and Turkey to commence, on January, 1874, the exchange of one daily report taken simultaneously throughout those countries and the United States; and the cooperation of other nations in the system is expected. —Scientific American.

That Costly Cove.

The recent sale at Utica, N. Y., of the Shorthorn cow, known as the 8th Duchess of Geneva, for \$40,000, illustrates how much a dumb creature may be worth in an age when men and women are cheap as dirt. If money is a standard of value, and it seems to be granted that it is, then there are many politicians with high heads and fine clothes, and very many handsome women wearing garments of light who are worth far less, since they would not bring this amount of money for any purpose whatever. Indeed, a whole drawing-room full of fashionable people, put up at auction, would not bring as much. All this shows the value of breeding for best points, and the worthlessness of breeding without regard to points. Mr. Hammond's sheep, Gold Drop, under the hammer, was richly worth \$10,000, not because it was a sheep, but because the best qualities in many animals had by care and skill been gathered into one animal. So of the Duchess, she is a concentration of all that has been discovered valuable in the Shorthorn stock, and being accumulated in her body, all these good qualities are capable of being transmitted and repeated. These choice qualities are simply economic, for from a given amount of food more flesh and fat are produced than from any other animal. This is a low standard certainly. That would be a high standard, if we had a race of men which would be certain to produce more honor, more industry, more skill, and was sixty-six that day.

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The Best Pays.

A graduate of Harvard College, possessed of means, and what is better—of brains—has gone into the dairy business. He has ninety head of Jersey stock, and milks twenty cows regularly. He has a model milk house, furnished with ice and labor-saving machinery for making butter, and, by keeping the conditions always the same, makes the same quality and amount of butter the year round. He obtains ninety cents a pound for his butter in Boston. He also purchases pure Berkshire, Essex, and Yorkshire pigs, which he feeds and makes into bacon. This, packed in quarter and half barrels, is sold to private families at twenty cents a pound, the hams are carefully cured and sold at twenty-five cents a pound, and the lard, being of the best quality and flavor, is sold readily at twenty cents a pound. Here is proof that a farmer, dairyman, or pig proprietor may be educated and a gentleman and yet be successful when he goes to work himself and applies his intellect to his business, just as may be a lawyer, a doctor, a preacher, or any other man. In fact, the more a farmer knows the better farmer he is, or at least may be if he will. —N. Y. Tribune.

Bees and King-Birds.

For the last ten years I have carefully noted the habits and movements of the king-birds, and have come to the following conclusion, viz.: that they do eat the honey bee, and so does the purple martin; but instead of being destroyed for it, they should be protected and allowed to build their nests near the farm-house, because they drive off the hawks, crows and other plundering birds from the poultry yard. Warm afternoons in July and August, when the drone bees are out, we have seen the martins come down within ten feet of the hive and snap up the drone bees, thus relieving the workers from the necessity of expelling them from the hive and blinding off their wings to prevent them from getting back to the hive. The king-bird also, we find, selects the drone, and will come afterwards and take his position on a stake in front of the hive, and when a drone bee comes along will make a rush for him, come back to the stake, give him a pick or two and swallow him. But says an objector, "What do they subsist on before the drone bees fly out?" This point I settled by shooting one in the month of May, and I found in his crop the wings and legs of May-bugs. By watching their movements, I find the dragon-fly is also a favorite food for them. —J. L. Hervey, in American Bee Journal.

A Mammoth Cheese.

The Painesville (O.) Telegraph describes a mammoth cheese which lately passed through that town on its way East. It was mounted on a substantial platform to which were attached small cast iron wheels, so that it moved easily, and the platform in turn was mounted on a heavy lumber wagon, drawn by two span of horses. The cheese was cased in a tight-fitting cheese box which was firmly secured to the platform to prevent sliding. Its measurement is: Height, three feet two inches; diameter, five feet four inches, and circumference sixteen feet. Its net weight is four thousand and fifty pounds. In quality, it is said to be fully equal to any of the Carter cheese, which stands so prominent in every market. It was manufactured for Messrs. Gase, Doe & Chapin, of Boston, and will be cut for the holidays.

Fish Way in the Connecticut River.

The Holyoke, Mass., Water Power Company have just built, under the mandate of the Supreme Court at Washington, a fish way on their big dam, against which they had long held out. It is described as a sort of covered ladder, 450 feet long, and divided by short zigzag "locks" or checks, to break the force of the cataract, and permit shad and salmon to get over the big fall at the dam. It has cost about \$25,000. The State of Massachusetts, four years ago, appropriated half that amount, but the company declined to touch it; and now the latter must bear all the expense, as the courts have so decided. The Fish Commissioners of Connecticut, Massachusetts, and other New England States will meet this month to examine this work.

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